

SHORTAGE OF NURSES

LONDON, Sept. 25.—One-fifth of all the hospitals fail to secure suitable candidates as sisters and one-half fail to secure staff nurses and probationers of the standard required.

This is one of the facts revealed by the "Lancet" commission which has been sitting since December under the chairmanship of the Earl of Crawford to consider the shortage of nurses. In the interim report just issued, A. Bradford Hill, the statistician, summarizes the views of nearly 700 hospitals.

The wider sphere of women's work today is the most general reason put forward for the shortage of nurses. Many other occupations, it is said, offer better salaries, prospects, more freedom and social amenities, without the restrictions and long hours of institutional life. Solutions of the problem offered include: Living out, superannuation schemes, less menial work, fixed off-duty hours, facilities for additional qualifications, more co-operation between educational authorities and hospitals, bigger salaries for trained staff.

Finally, an appreciable number of hospital authorities believe the shortage of candidates to be due to "an erroneous idea of overwork, under-feeding and underpay."

ROUSING BANQUET

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been bandmaster for the past five years and had worked hard to make the band a success. Many of the boys were indebted to Mr. Wilson for their musical knowledge. Had it not have been for him the opportunity of learning the various instruments would have not been so great. He was a conductor and companion. In this way he had endeared himself.

Kenneth Green also expressed the sentiment of the Boys' Band to Mr. Wilson. He had always taken a deep interest in the Boys' Band. On behalf of the boys he presented a token of appreciation.

W. H. Tobey, secretary-treasurer of the Band, outlined how the band first came about and gave all due credit to all its supporters and members, in the progress the Band had made.

Band Master Wilson in replying to the presentation and esteem, shown to both him and Mrs. Wilson, mentioned how attached he had become to the boys and trusted that they would still continue to make the band a success. He would always have their welfare at heart.

In conclusion \$5.00 was presented to Allen Hale for best attendance at practices. Geo. Carlyle and Jack Campbell, second and third received \$2.50 each.

ATHLETICS WIN AGAIN

Detroit Tigers Fall Into Seventh Place Behind St. Louis Browns

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 25.—Philadelphia Athletics added another to their long string of victories for the season yesterday by scoring an easy victory over the Boston Red Sox.

Detroit Tigers dropped into seventh place behind the St. Louis Browns by dropping a decision to the Cleveland Indians.

The only game in the National League made no change in the situation there.

Yesterday's scores:

National League
Philadelphia 5, Pittsburgh 1.

American League
Detroit 4, Cleveland 6.
Boston 4, Philadelphia 9.

National League			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Louis	98	53	.649
New York	87	64	.576
Chicago	82	70	.539
Brooklyn	78	73	.516
Pittsburgh	75	77	.493
Philadelphia	65	87	.428
Boston	63	89	.414
Cincinnati	58	93	.384

American League			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
Philadelphia	106	44	.707
Washington	92	58	.613
New York	90	59	.604
Cleveland	75	76	.497
Boston	61	89	.407
Detroit	61	91	.401
St. Louis	60	89	.403
Chicago	55	94	.369

WAS KNOWN IN RUPERT

J. D. Sweeney, Pioneer Logger of District, Killed in Accident Near Lockport

SKIDEGATE, Sept. 25.—J. D. Sweeney, well known pioneer hand logger of the district, was killed last week while engaged in logging six miles below Lockport.

Jack Sweeney and his partners, Oscar Pearson and Blackie Robinson, were putting in a big stick which suddenly swung around, jamming Sweeney between it and a stump. Death was instantaneous.

The late Mr. Sweeney, who was 74 years of age and a native of Kingston, Prince Edward Island, was well known in Prince Rupert and elsewhere on the mainland. He had been engaged in logging on the Queen Charlotte Islands for fifteen years and made several large stakes.

The funeral took place at Queen Charlotte City with interment in the cemetery there, the remains having been brought up from Lockport by Capt. C. B. Haan on his seneboat Beatrice H. Rev. Mr. McKenzie conducted the funeral service.

At a monster picnic at Cloverbar in celebration of Alberta's pioneers the various contests and barbecue attracted 3,000 people. Women in the rolling-pin-throwing contest, from a distance of 50 feet, showed startling accuracy. Many old timers were noticed on the grounds. It was nothing to be able to claim only 35 or 40 years residence. Mrs. Annie Long claimed 50 years resident in Edmonton district. The distinction of being the oldest man on the grounds belonged to William Colwell, aged 89.

Regret Expressed at Transfer of Mr. Mellish to South

At the Rotary Club luncheon yesterday President George Munro spoke of the regret the members of the club all felt at the fact that B. J. Mellish, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, was leaving the city. He had been transferred to Vancouver and would be going away in about two weeks. In the meantime, it would be the duty of the club to choose a new treasurer.

SKIDEGATE

William Streesman, well known Island logger, is operating a camp on the south side of Skidegate Inlet.

Reports have been received here of killing of deer on Queen Charlotte Islands illegally. The police authorities are being notified.

The reduction by the provincial government of the saltery licence fee came too late to be of any benefit on the Queen Charlotte Islands. The season was half over when the announcement was made and it was impossible then for the plants to get ready for operation. Consequently, quite a lot of employment was lost to Island people.

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SPORT CHAT

Replies to a circular letter addressed to hospitals in Greater London by the Secretary of the London Free Church Federation, show that of 51 hospitals 17 are opposed to the raising of funds by means of lotteries and sweepstakes. Thirteen replies stated the matter had not been considered by the hospital committees, seven that sweepstakes were illegal and therefore not to be entertained, seven stated indefinite replies, two stated they were self-supporting, and four that they were under the control of the London County Council. Only one was in favor of raising money by sweepstakes.

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SCHOONER'S NEW RIVAL

Ancient Sealing Craft Now Has to Meet Competition of Fast Steamers

PROVIDENCE, R.I., Sept. 25.—"That isn't whaling, that's murder," the New Bedford whaling men said repeatedly a few decades ago as the last of the old sailing ships gave way to modern steamships, equipped to kill, swallow, and rend whales by machinery.

As a result of these newly constructed floating whale factories, the schooner John R. Manta, built in 1904, and one of the last of the whalers to leave New Bedford, finally was run into drydock in 1927, and after a few months of reconditioning went down the ways as a packet schooner.

The day was over when the look-out would sing hoarsely, "Tha-a-r she blows!" No more would the deck demand, "Where away?" And no more would New Bedford sailormen grow old waiting for the ship to return from the perilous journey.

The glamour and romance of past days have disappeared from the gallant ship, and now, as a converted whaler, she slowly ploughs her way across the Atlantic as a commercial freight schooner carrying cargo and passengers to the Cape de Verde Island on a yearly schedule.

But a series of misadventures has followed the Manta in her routine business between the mid-oceanic islands and this seaport.

After her second crossing which was made in the record time of 49 days, the old whaler found herself again in trouble. Customs men boarded the boat and found that not only had her storage space for oil casks been ripped out and remade into sleeping quarters, but that there were quarters for eleven passengers in the hold which no one had said anything about. In a word it was found that the schooner had been used to smuggle natives into this country.

Sent to Prison
As a result of these conditions the mate was sent to prison for two years, while the stowaways and some of the members of the crew were deported.

The whaler was sold at an auction to two sea captain brothers from New Bedford who still own her and are now having her rigging repaired and a general reconditioning undertaken to place her once again in the Island trade.

Fast steamers are now entering this route, and again the old sailing craft is feeling the effect of steamship competition. But her owners are confident that enough passengers will be signed up at \$60 to \$80, and that sufficient freight will be stowed below, so that the 45-day voyage will be profitable.

And, strangely, the trips on the old whaler usually have been profitable enough so that she stays in the trade, leaving port once a year to take natives of the Islands living in this city back home for a visit, and to bring to the Cape de Verde Islands a cargo of precious kerosene, lumber, furniture, and general merchandise.

A delivery automobile for the use of men who make frequent stops has been designed that can be operated by a man walking beside it.

Children Hear Miss Mann Tell of India Work

Miss Edith G. Mann, B.A., visiting Baptist Church missionary to India, gave an interesting talk before the children of the Mission Band of First Baptist Church here yesterday afternoon.

Miss Mann told in a very acceptable manner of life, customs and teaching among the Telugu tribes. Mrs. J. D. Thurber presided over the gathering.

Tonight Miss Mann will meet the ladies of the Mission Circle of the local church and will leave by train tomorrow morning for Halifax, where she will embark for India.

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